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Cutler Bay Afterschool Program Hosts Family Night



CUTLER BAY, FL April 11, 2016 – The Town of Cutler Bay takes great pride in delivering the highest quality customer service to its residents and visitors. One of the many services provided by the Town is the annual Afterschool Program which serves approximately seventy-five (75) youth participants between the ages of six and twelve (6-12). The esteemed Cutler Bay Afterschool Program is managed by the Town's very own Parks & Recreation Department, providing participants with several goals and initiatives that are geared towards education, skill

development and strengthening, in addition to the promotion and encouragement of self-confidence within our youth.

The Town's Afterschool Program strives on communication and team work. Program aides and coordinators work closely with the families of the participants to ensure that all participants are provided with a safe, healthy and educational environment. By hosting Family Nights, the Town promotes parent involvement and presents the Program participants with the opportunity to demonstrate their newly developed or strengthened skills. On Friday, April 1, 2016, Program participants worked together with Town staff to prepare a dance performance for their families, which was choreographed by instructors from enFAMILIA, an arts based non-profit organization.

"We are dedicated to providing youth with a quality afterschool care experience. This year the Town partnered with enFAMILIA and Miami Dade College to incorporate weekly STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Science) lessons. Partnerships like this contribute to the success of our programs" stated Rafael Casals, Town Manager.

The Town's Afterschool Program is funded in part by grants from The Children's Trust and the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice. Following the dance performance on April 1st, dinner was provided to all the families in attendance, who were also invited to remain at Cutler Ridge Park for the Town's Movie Night, featuring the hilarious "Minions" movie.

The Parks and Recreation Department is currently accepting applications for the 2016 Summer Camp, scheduled June 13 – August 5, 2016. Activities include swimming lessons, arts & crafts, and a wide array of fun activities. Field trips are also included. Register early for the fun this summer as space is limited. For additional information please visit the Town's

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